

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, insert the following heading:

--TITLE OF THE INVENTION--

Page 1, on line 2, insert the following heading:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

Page 1, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following heading:

--DESCRIPTION OF THE RELATED ART--

Page 1, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following heading:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 2, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following heading:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

Page 2, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following heading:

--DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--

Page 3, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 20, with the following amended paragraph:

--After the sheet has been stretched taut between the legs 2, 3, the clamp 13 is moved such that the lip 19 is free of the head 20 and the spring 22 ~~[[18]]~~ is pressed in. In this state the clamp 13 is locked with respect to the support 1 by means of the screw connector 14. Should the sheet become warm and stretch under the influence of the treatment process, the tensile force

produced by the spring 22 [[18]] can still be maintained in the sheet because the leg 3 is able to move somewhat under the influence of the spring pretension. The movement path must be sufficiently long that the head 20 does not make contact with the lip 19.--